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## 23. [Once Amended] A method of claim [4] 1, wherein the CLC3 blocker is a compound of Formula I

$$R^4R^5N(CH_2)_nO$$

wherein

either R<sup>4</sup> is H or a lower alkyl radical and R<sup>5</sup> is a lower alkyl radical, or R<sup>4</sup> and R<sup>5</sup> are joined together with the adjacent nitrogen atom to form a heterocyclic radical;

R<sup>6</sup> is H or a lower alkyl radical;

R<sup>7</sup> is H, halo, OH, a lower alkyl radical, or is a buta-1,3-dienyl radical which together with the adjacent benzene ring forms a naphthyl radical;

R<sup>R</sup> is H or OH; and

n is 2;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

Support for the amendments to claim 1 is found in the specification at page 13, lines 6-11, Examples 2-3 and Figures 1-3.

Claim 23 is amended to recite proper antecedent basis.